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## THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES

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A REPORT ON THE STATUS OF BUDGET AUTHORITY THAT WAS PROPOSED FOR RESCISSION BY THE PRESIDENT IN HIS SIXTH SPECIAL MESSAGE FOR FISCAL YEAR 1986 DATED APRIL 25, 1986, PURSUANT TO 2 U.S.C. 685

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The Honorable Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr.
Speaker of the House of Representatives

Dear Mr. Speaker:

This letter reports on the status of budget authority that was proposed for rescission by the President in his sixth special message for fiscal year 1986, April 25, 1986, but for which the Congress did not pass a rescission bill as defined in section 1011 of the Impoundment Control Act (the Act). All budget authority withheld pursuant to the rescission proposals submitted in the sixth message has been released by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for obligation.

In the sixth message, the President proposed rescissions, as follows, affecting budget authority made available to the Department of Defense for military procurement:

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| R86-81. | Procurement of weapons and tracked combat vehicles, Army | $34,400,000 |
| R86-82. | Shipbuilding and conversion, Navy | $40,100,000 |
| R86-83. | Other procurement, Air Force | $40,000,000 |

Section 1012(b) of the Act requires that funds proposed for rescission be made available for obligation unless the Congress completes action on a rescission bill within the 45-day period of continuous congressional session following the day such proposal is received by the Congress. For the rescission proposals submitted in the sixth message, the 45-day period ended on June 21, 1986, without the Congress having passed such a bill.

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We have confirmed that on June 23, 1986, all funds proposed for rescission were made available by OMB for obligation by the agencies to which they were appropriated.

Sincerely yours,

for Milton J. Socolar
Comptroller General
of the United States